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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

SUBJECT : Personnel

1. After review of the proposed Operating Budget for FY 1956 and the preliminary Estimates for FY 1957, the Director has approved personnel strengths for both fiscal years which, with the exception of certain specifically designated projects, restrict all Components in the Deputy Director (Support) area to an over-all increase of 120 positions above the number on duty on 31 July 1955.

2. Inasmuch as our approved authorization was 221 greater than the on-duty strength, I have no alternative but to make reductions accordingly. I also feel that it is essential to control carefully all positions authorized above the 31 July on-duty figures.

3. I therefore request that you re-examine your own internal allocations, thoroughly reviewing requirements to be placed upon you by the Operating and Intelligence Components which have also been restricted and will be conducting similar reappraisals.

4. I am directing the Comptroller to budget positions for the Office of the General Counsel for both FY 1956 and FY 1957 and your current authorization is fixed at . Any personnel already in process may be entered on duty, but must be absorbed within your authorization of .

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5. Your authority to exceed the authorization above by not more than two positions for temporary indefinite periods is continued.

SIGNED

L. K. WHITE
Deputy Director
(Support)

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